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Floyds Fork technical advisory subcommittees addressing pollution control plan to meet *Meetings are open to the public*

FRANKFORT, Ky. (Jan. 7, 2013) – Five public meetings set for later this month will provide opportunities for in-depth, technical discussion on the Floyds Fork Pollution Control Plan. The discussions will address high-level technical concepts regarding the development of nutrient total maximum daily loads (TMDLs) for Floyds Fork.

Here is a schedule of the meetings, which will be conducted at the Kentucky Farm Bureau office, 9201 Bunsen Parkway, Louisville:

- The Land Use/Septic and MS4 subcommittees will meet Jan. 22 in a combined session from 9 a.m. to noon.
- The Agriculture Subcommittee will meet Jan. 24 from 9 a.m. to noon.
- The Groundwater/Hydrology Subcommittee will meet Jan. 24 from 1 to 4 p.m.
- The Data Subcommittee will meet Jan. 25 from 9 a.m. to noon on Jan. 25.
- The Point Source Subcommittee will meet Jan. 30 from 1 to 4 p.m. Jan. 30.

These subcommittees of the Floyds Fork Technical Advisory Committee are composed of technical representatives from the major stakeholder groups within the Floyds Fork watershed. The committee is a component of the joint effort by the Kentucky Division of Water, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and stakeholders to improve water quality in the Floyds Fork watershed through the development of TMDLs.

“Total maximum daily load” is a term used to describe the amount of pollution a stream can receive and still meet water quality standards. TMDLs are currently under development for Floyds Fork for the bacteria, nutrients, organic enrichment and dissolved oxygen pollutants.

The Floyds Fork watershed is located in north-central Kentucky and drains portions of Henry, Oldham, Shelby, Jefferson, Spencer and Bullitt counties. The entire watershed is 284 square miles, which is more than 180,000 acres.

Visit the Division of Water website at <http://water.ky.gov/watershed/Pages/FloydsFork.aspx> to learn more about the Floyds Fork TMDL and to review minutes of past meetings. For more information, email floydsfork@ky.gov.

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